CLAIMS

What is claimed is:

Claims 1 to 15, cancel and substitute new Claims 16 to 30, as follows:

16. A method for playing a gambling device game comprising the steps of:

providing a gambling device comprising coin acceptance, computer controls and game play means interconnected to a power supply;

inserting coins, currency or coupons to activate said gambling device; playing a base video slot machine game having a first paytable;

activating a subsequent blackjack game by achieving one or more predetermined symbols in said base video slot machine game;

paying the player according to one or more paytables if a given result is achieved on said gambling device.

- 17. The method of claim 16 wherein playing said base video slot machine game is a form of draw poker.
- 18. The method of claim 16 wherein said symbols in said base video slot machine game represent playing cards.

- 19. The method of claim 16 wherein said paytables include at least one blackjack paytable.
- 20. The method of claim 19 wherein blackjack players beating the dealer are paid according to their point score.
- 21. The method of claim 20 wherein the player is paid a greater amount for beating the dealer with a lower point score than with a higher point score.
- 22. The method of claim 20 wherein the player is paid a different amount for beating the dealer with each different possible point score.
- 23. The method of claim 20 wherein said blackjack paytable includes paying a prize for not beating the dealer.

24. A method for playing a gambling device game comprising the steps of:

providing a gambling device comprising coin acceptance, computer controls and game play means interconnected to a power supply;

inserting coins, currency or coupons to activate said gambling device;

qualifying for the right to play a blackjack game by achieving one or more

predetermined events in said gambling device;

activating a blackjack game;

paying the player according to a paytable if a given result is achieved on said blackjack game.

- 25. The method of claim 24 wherein qualifying is made by first reaching predetermined events in another game;
- 26. The method of claim 24 wherein the player is paid according to their point score.
- 27. The method of claim 26 wherein the player is paid a greater amount for winning with a lower point score than with a higher point score.
- 28. The method of claim 26 wherein the player is paid different amounts for winning with each different possible point score.

- 29. The method of claim 26 wherein said paytable includes paying a prize on a losing hand.
 - 30. A method for playing a video gambling device comprising the steps of:

providing a gambling device comprising computer controls, currency handling equipment and a video display;

activating said gambling device by committing a bet;

qualifying for the right to play a blackjack game;

activating a blackjack game that pays the player according to a paytable;

paying the player according to said paytable if a predetermined result is achieved on said blackjack game.

- 31. (new) A method of claim 30 wherein said qualifying for the right to play a blackjack game is made by achieving a predetermined event in a first portion of said video gambling device.
- 32. (new) A method of claim 30 wherein said paytable includes a schedule of paying events and awards that are a multiple of the bet.
- 33. (new) The method of claim 32 wherein said awards are greater for winning with a lower point score than with a higher point score.

- 34. (new) The method of claim 32 wherein the paytable includes paying a prize on a losing hand.
- 35. (new) The improvement of claim 32 wherein if the total numerical point value of the player's cards exceeds a total numerical point value of twenty for the dealer's cards, the player receives a twenty-five to one payout on the original wager.